

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS, JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, ALASKA

## MEMORANDRUM FOR JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON

FROM: Installation Commander

SUBJECT: Health Protection Condition (HPCON) CHARLIE Declaration

References: (a) DoDI 6200.03, Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) Within the DoD

(b) AFI 10-2519, Public Health Emergencies and Incidents of Public Health Concern

- 1. Based on JBER Public Health Emergency Officer's recommendations and continued monitoring of COVID-19 cases in JBER, Anchorage and the state of Alaska, effective 0500 hrs, 16 October 2020, JBER will transition to HPCON CHARLIE. My priorities as installation commander are 1) the health and safety of our military and civilian personnel and their families; 2) safeguarding and preserving our national security capabilities; and 3) supporting our local community and the state of Alaska's response to the pandemic. JBER's approach to slow the spread of the virus with the transition to HPCON CHARLIE will include curtailing some services that are not mission essential as well as adding additional mitigation controls as we continue to track disease trends and monitor both our testing and health care capacity.
- 2. With the shift from HPCON BRAVO+ to HPCON CHARLIE, JBER personnel may be required to telework or be restricted from workplaces subject to command and supervisor determinations in order to reduce spreading the virus. Commanders must make efforts to limit the physical presence of personnel in the work place and ensure appropriate mitigation measures are in place. Commanders will continue to reduce the risk to force by use of shift based and flexible schedules when possible and maximize the use of telework for personnel whose physical presence is not otherwise required to complete the mission.
- 3. Commanders must communicate this guidance to their units and their families and ensure all personnel understand that this transition to HPCON CHARLIE is not the same as the previous declaration and is based on current conditions. Personnel must understand that we cannot afford complacency in the health and hygiene habits we've cultivated over the past several months and the need for increased controls is necessary to protect our personnel, maintain readiness and preserve our warfighting capabilities.
- 4. For a list of service closures and limitations on JBER refer to the installation dash board at <a href="https://www.jber.jb.mil/Coronavirus/">https://www.jber.jb.mil/Coronavirus/</a>. Address questions regarding this memorandum to 673 ABW/CV, at (907) 552-6738.

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